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## PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: 9/13/2004  
Date/Time of Occurrence: 9/11/2004 4:46 a.m.  
Nature of Call: Exploding an Incendiary Device/ Arson  
Location of Call: Sunnyside Market, 1780 West Lake Blvd, Tahoe City  
Case Number: 04-14031  
Released by: Lt. John Addoms (530) 581-6315

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### SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:

On 9/11/2004 at about 5:00 in the morning, Placer County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Chad Ian Flinn, 33 from Tahoe City, for exploding an incendiary device next to the front door of the Sunnyside Market.

The incident began at 4:46 a.m. when the department received reports of possible shots heard in the area. Upon arrival, deputies found the front door of the Sunnyside market was scorched and there were remnants of a homemade incendiary device, commonly called a *Molotov Cocktail*. The explosion caused the building's siding to be scorched and windows to be cracked, but the device failed to catch the building on fire.

Sheriff's deputies conducted area checks and located Chad Ian Flinn in the area attempting to hide from officers. A search of his person revealed evidence that linked him to the incident. Also found concealed in his waistband was a 12 inch survival knife.

Chad Ian Flinn was booked at the Placer County Jail for exploding an incendiary device, arson, and possession of a dangerous weapon. Flinn remains in custody pending \$200,000 bail and is schedule to be arraigned in the Tahoe City Court today at 1:00 p.m.



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